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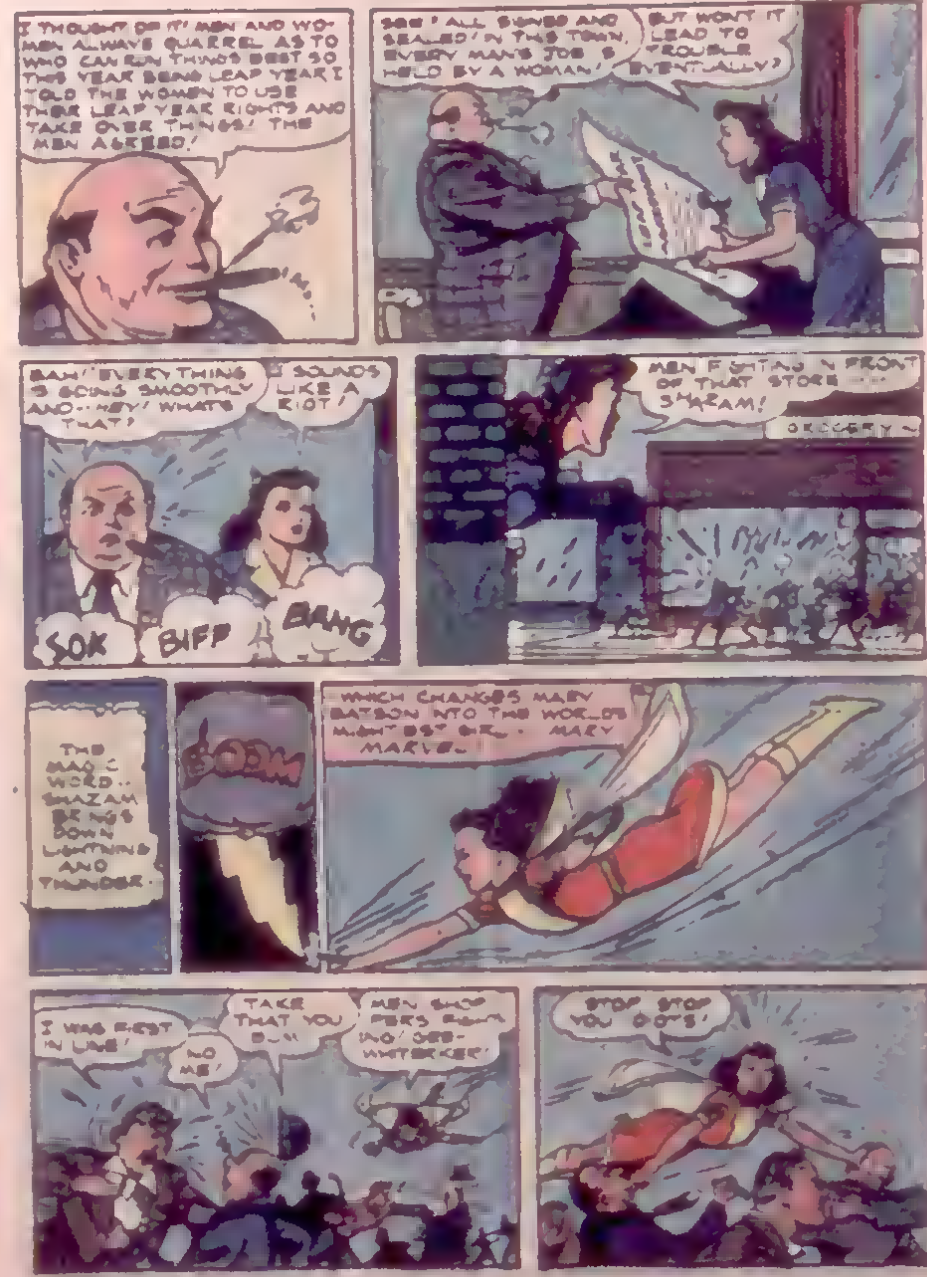
MARY MARVEL
IT IS THE ANCIENT TRADITION THAT DURING LEAP YEAR WOMEN CAN TAKE DOMINANCE OVER MEN IN CERTAIN THINGS! BUT IN THE LITTLE TOWN OF MIDDLETON THEY WENT ALL-OUT WITH ALL THE WOMEN TAKING ALL THE MEN'S JOBS! AND MARY MARVEL HERSELF A GIRL... HAS A MAN-SIZED JOB ON HER HANDS PROVING IT WAS A MISTAKE!
HOW ABOUT A GIRL?
HA HA! NO WOMAN CAN STOP ME!
MARY BATSON IS SENT TO MIDDLETON BY HER FOSTER MOTHER TO VISIT A RELATIVE OF THE FAMILY
CARRY YOUR BAG MISS?
WHY, SX YES!
I'LL CHECK YOUR BAGGAGE OVER-NIGHT!
IT LOOKS LIKE THE FEMININE SOX IS TAKING OVER IN THIS TOWN! WE... THESE ACE DAYS OF MANPOWER SHORTAGE
MAYOR BROWNE'S OFFICE PLEASE!
I HAVEN'T SEEN A MAN YET ON A JOB! A WOMAN PORTER STATION MASTER AND NOW A LADY TAXI DRIVER!
WHERE TO?

A WOMAN TRAFFIC-COP TOO! WOMEN HAVE ALL THE JOBS IN THIS TOWN! WHERE ARE THE MEN! THEY CAN'T ALL BE GONE!
THERE THEY ARE! MINDING BABIES!! WHAT GOES ON IN THIS TOWN! BUT SURELY MAYOR BROWNE MY FOSTER UNCLE WILL EXPLAIN!
BUT AT THE MAYOR'S OFFICE....
MR BROWNE CAN YOU JUDGE A WOMAN TOO!
MRS BROWNE THE MAYOR'S WIFE IS YOU PLEASE! MY HUSBAND IS HOME DOING THE HOUSE WORK
A WOMAN MAYOR!
WELL WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT! WE HAVE A WOMAN POLICE CHIEF AND A WOMAN FIRE CHIEF TOO! NOW WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU!
M MARY BATSON! MARY BATSON MY CAME TO — FOSTER NIECE! HOW WONDERFUL YOU'RE JUST IN TIME TO JOIN US IN OUR LEAP YEAR EX- PERIMENT
LEAP YEAR EXPERIMENT!
I'M TOO BUSY TO EXPLAIN DEAR BUT SEE MISTER MALCOLM DOWN THE HALL! ROOM 5!
HE SEEMS TO BE A CHAMPION OF THE RIGHTS OF WOMEN!
MR MALCOLM CHAIRMAN OF WOMAN SUFFRAGE HOUSE MARY
MRS BROWNE SENT ME! WHAT IS THIS LEAP YEAR EXPERIMENT MR MALCOLM?
COME IN!


I THOUGHT OF IT! MEN AND WOMEN ALWAYS QUARREL AS TO WHO CAN RUN THINGS BEST SO THIS YEAR BEING LEAP YEAR I TOLD THE WOMEN TO USE THEIR LEAP YEAR RIGHTS AND TAKE OVER THINGS! THE MEN AGREED!
SEE! ALL SIGNED AND SEALED! IN THIS TOWN, EVERY MAN'S JOB IS HELD BY A WOMAN!
BUT WON'T IT LEAD TO TROUBLE EVENTUALLY?
BAM! EVERYTHING IS GOING SMOOTHLY AND--HEY! WHAT'S THAT?
SOUNDS LIKE A RIOT!
SOK
BIFF
BANG
MEN FIGHTING IN FRONT OF THAT STORE--- SHAZAM!
GROCERY
THE MAGIC WORD.. SHAZAM BRINGS DOWN LIGHTNING AND THUNDER..
BOOM
WHICH CHANGES MARY BATSON INTO THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST GIRL.. MARY MARVEL
I WAS FIRST IN LINE!
NO ME!
TAKE THAT YOU B--H
MEN SHOPPERS AND JOBWHATEVER!
STOP STOP YOU GOTS!

STOP FUSSING LIKE A BUNCH OF OLD HENS! WELL WOMEN!
WHO SAID A WOMAN'S JOB WAS EASY?
IT'S THIS BLASTED LEAP YEAR EXPERIMENT! I WISH I WAS BACK IN MY OFFICE!
OH GOSH! WHY DO WE EVER SIGN THAT AGREEMENT?
MEN'S PLACE IS NOT IN THE HOME! I'M SURE OF THAT!
BUT I WONDER HOW THE WOMEN ARE GETTING ALONG IN THE MEN'S JOBS! SOMETHING TELLS ME THAT TROUBLE IS BREWING!
AND AT THAT MOMENT IN THE FIRE STATION THE ALARM RINGS!
AND I SAYS TO HIM- AND HE SAYS TO ME- BLAH BLAH!
FIRE!
OH DEAR! GIRLS HAVE WE TIME TO POWDER OUR NOSES?
I'VE GOT TO MAKE IS SHINY!
CLANG
CLANG
I LOOK A SIGHT!
HURRY GIRLS! PEOPLE ARE IN DANGER! DO I LOOK ALL RIGHT TO GO OUT?
CLANG

AT LONG LAST
...BUT THESE WOMEN DRIVERS!
AT THE SCENE OF THE FIRE...
THE HOSE! THE HOSE! QUICK!
THE HOSE YOU MEAN I HAVE A FEW AGAIN!
MEANWHILE STARK TRAGEDY THREATENS
FIREMEN! FIREMEN! COME! PLEASE SAVE MY CHILD!
JUMP!
HERE, I COME!
GOOD GREEF! THEY HAVE THE JUMPING NET IN THE WRONG PLACE!
MARY MARVEL SAVES THE BLAZING MAN AND CHILD!
THE NET WHERE'S THE...?
NEVER MIND THAT!
NOW THE FEMALE FIREMEN START THE HOSE BUT
AWP! BLUB! HEY TURN OFF THE FIRE HOSE!

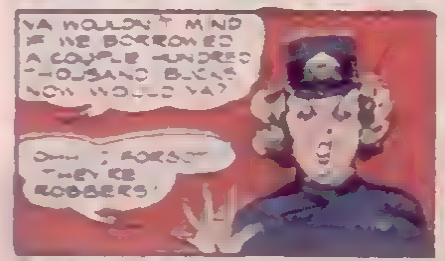
GUESS I'M NEEDED HERE TOO!
WHEN THE FIRE IS OVER ...
OH DEAR! MY PERMANENT IS RUINED!
MAYBE THIS IS A MAN'S JOB!
NO! DON'T WEAKEN GIRLS! WE WANT TO PROVE WOMEN ARE AS GOOD AS MEN! AS HENRY MALCOLM TOLD US, MEN GET IN A RUT! SO WE'LL KEEP ON!
THE WOMEN OF THIS TOWN ARE STUBBORN! I WONDER WHY HENRY MALCOLM -- A MAN HIMSELF -- STARTED ALL THIS! HAS HE GOT SOME PRIVATE REASONS?
DEEP IN THOUGHT MARY MANN WALKS THE FLOOR THE LONG NIGHT.
JOHN I HAVE AN IMPORTANT QUESTION TO ASK YOU.
YES, BLAINE?
JOHN I-UH-WHY BLAINE YOU AND I-UH- THIS IS SO SU-DDEN-LY-
BUT THE ANSWER IS YES BLAINE!
SMACK
BUT THIS LEAP YEAR SAPER-HEN-FUZZ-ESS ME! WHAT'S THAT! A POLICE WHISTLE?
WHEEE!!
EEEEE

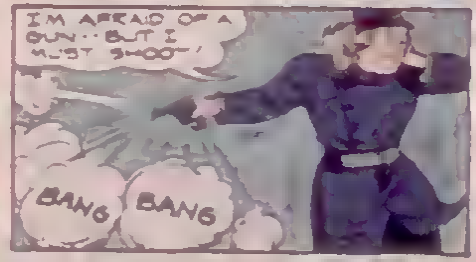
BANDITS ROBBING THE BANK! HELP... MURDER... POLICE!

BUT LADY YOU'RE A COP!
OH! UM... I FORGOT

HALT YOU LADY RUFFIANS, WOULDN'T BE WISE OR I'LL SHOOT!
HA HA! YOU WOULDN'T DARE SHOOT, WOULD YA, LADY?

GEE WHIZZ! YA KNOW DA MOST BEAUTIFUL WOMAN I EVER SEEN?
REALLY? WHY YOU NICE MAN!


YA WOULDN'T MIND IF WE BORROWED A COUPLE HUNDRED THOUSAND BUCKS NOW WOULD YA?
OHH! I FORGOT THEY'RE ROBBERS!


I'M AFRAID OF A GUN.. BUT I MUST SHOOT!
BANG
BANG

HA HA! SHE ONLY BROKE DA FRONT WINDOW! TO DUCK SOUP ROBBIN' DIS BANK!

BUT AS THE BANDITS EMERGE WITH THEIR LOOT THE VALIANT FEMALE POLICE FORCE ARRIVES TO OPPOSE THEM!
HOW THEM DOWN GIRLS

THE WOMEN ARE SHOOTING FOR YOUR LIVES!
WE DON'T HAVE A SINGLE BANDIT! USE YOUR BULLY CLUBS, GIRLS!
TAKE THAT!
HA-HA!
UGH!
NEW MAN! NEVER LAUGHED SO MUCH IN MY LIFE!
WHEN IT COMES TO BEN COPS WOMEN MAKE CRIME AW!
S THAT SO BENTS?
HEY, WHO'S DAT?
THE SLIM FORM OF MARY MARVEL BLOCKS HER OPPONENT
SHOOT YOU MUST BE KOOKS!
THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST GIRL STRIKES LIKE A TON OF BRICKS
AND DEN A LITTLE GIRL DOES DE TO US!
ALL DA WOMEN CAN'T STOP US!

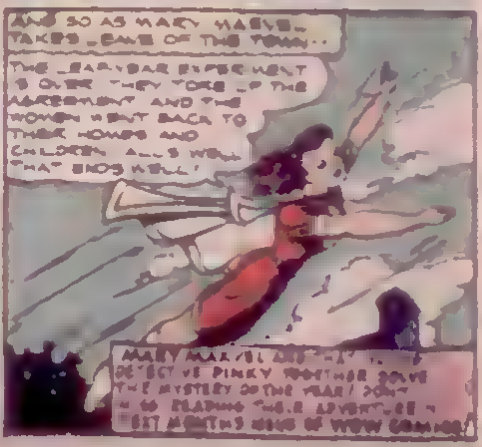
IT'S GOT TO ESCAPE WHA--? THE CAR DOESN'T MOVE!
NO YOU DON'T MISTER! YOU SEEM TO BE THE BRAINS BEHIND THIS GANG!

LET'S SEE WHO YOU ARE! I THOUGHT SO!

HERE'S ONE BAD THAT'S NOT AN EXPERIMENT!

WHY IT'S HENRY MALCOLM!
YOU SEE GIRLS HE WANTED YOU WOMEN TO RUN THE TOWN SO HE AND HIS GANG COULD ROB AND PLUNDER WITH EASE!

IT WAS ALL A TRICK BY MALCOLM! I'M GOING BACK HOME TO THE QUIN!
ME TOO! MY HUSBAND'S UNIFORM HAS A BAD RIP ANYWAY!


AND SO AS MARY MARVEL TAKES CARE OF THE TOWN..
THE BABY BAR EXPERIMENT IS OVER THEY TORE UP THE AGREEMENT AND THE WOMEN WENT BACK TO THEIR HOMES AND CHILDREN ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL!
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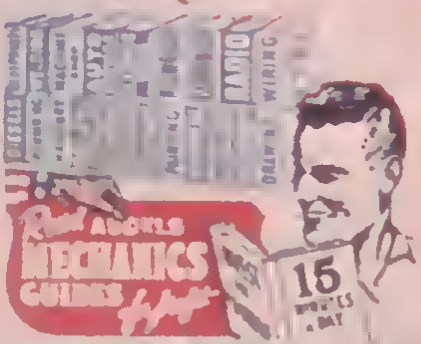

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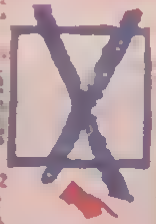

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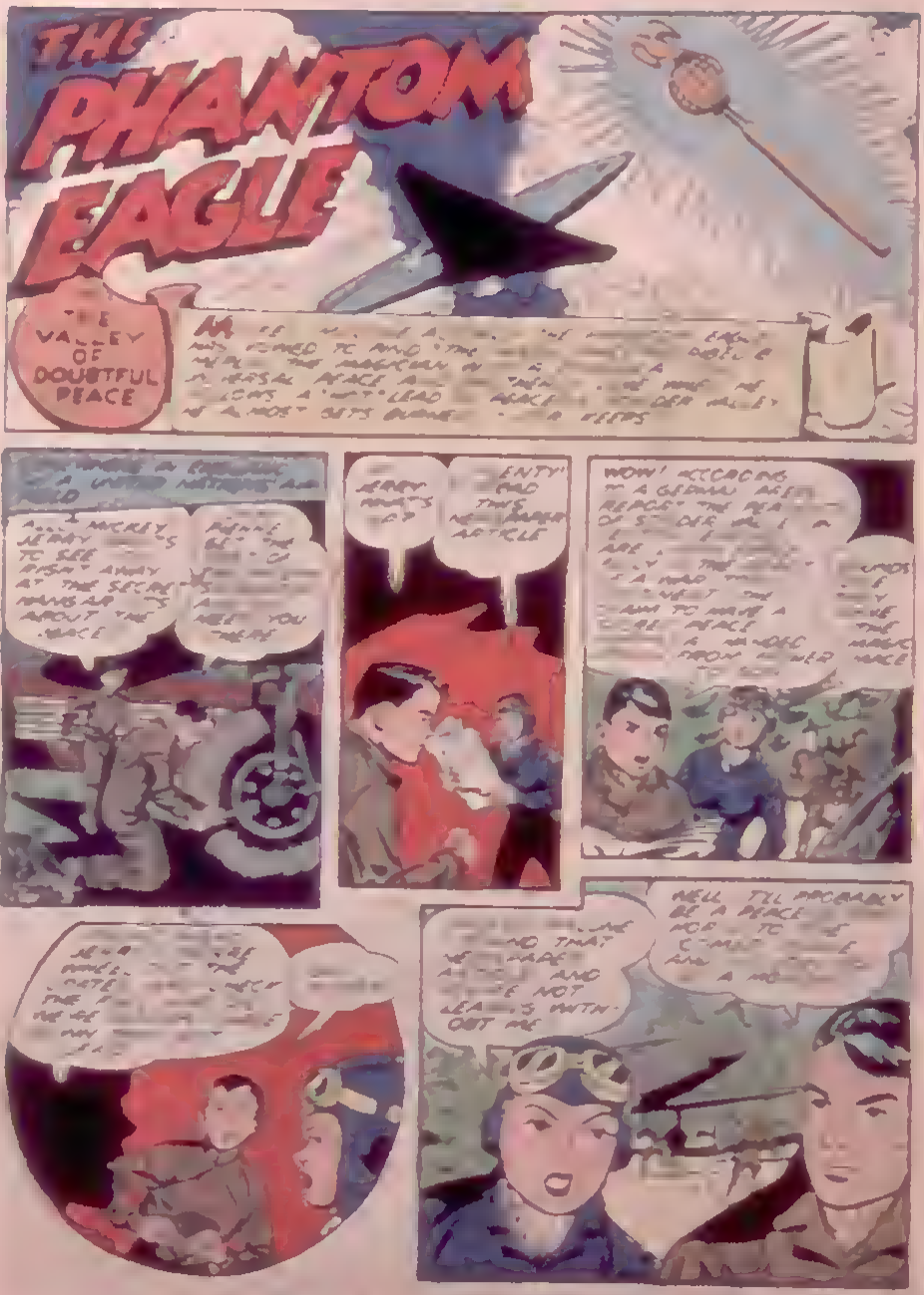

THE PHANTOM EAGLE
THE VALLEY OF DOUBTFUL PEACE
AND HOWARD TO HAVE THE AMERICAN IN ARMISTICE PEACE AND LIGHTS A HOT LEAD AMERICA A MOST GUTS ALONE
AND I'LL PROBABLY BE A PEACE HERO TO THE CRIMES AND A HE
NO THAT WE HAVE AND NOT LEAVES WITHOUT ME
WOW! ACCACKING TO A GERMAN AIR PEACE THE SEA OF SUCCESS AT A
AND TO MAKE A LOCAL PEACE A MOMENT FROM WILD WAR
ENTY' BAD TIMES NEWSPAPER ARTICLE
AGENT MARTIN'S DEAD
A... MICKEY, WE MAY BE ABLE TO SEE WHO'S AWAY AT THE SECRET MANAGER'S ABOUT THE WAGE
PHONE BE-DO
WELL YOU MEAN

AS HAPPY MALONE CASTS OFF HIS EVERY-DAY WORK GARMENT HE AND THE PHANTOM EAGLE IN WHOSE VEINS THE RED BLOOD OF AMERICA'S PIONEERS AND THE BLUE BLOOD OF FLYING CRUSADERS HAVE BLENDED INTO A FIGHTING MIXTURE!
OVER THE COMET PLANE RACES THE SQUADRON AS THEY SPLIT THE SKIES AND STREAK FOR CENTRAL EUROPE
HOURS LATER
SCHARF HALLE RIGHT ON THE VOSGES FT. CUTS ME... AND IN THE WOODS UP AHEAD ARE MORE OUR PLANES
IF THE MAGIC IS IN SCHARF HALLEY WE'LL RING IT!!
IF WE ALL BAILS IN WE MAY UPSET THE NATIVES ... I'LL GO ALONE SO - KEEP TUNED TO THE WAVELENGTH OF THE MAGIC TALKIE FIELD RADIO HIDDEN IN THIS KNAPSACK
WHERE DO YOU THINK WE ARE?
I DUNNO - DON'T YOU SAY THIS WOULD BE A PEACEFUL TRIP?
HELLO! GOOD MORNING!
HELLO MISTER
BRRRR... ALL SEEMS PEACEFUL ENOUGH BUT WE'RE IN FOR A CHILLY RECEPTION LET'S TRY THAT NN
SCARY HEAD

HELLO! HELLO!... ANYBODY HERE?
THAT'S SOMETHING FUNNY ABOUT ALL THIS SILENCE!
LOOK OUT! AN AIR FROM EAGLE!
HEY, WHY DESTROY-WHAT THE-?!
YOU STUPID AIR FROM EAGLE-AAGH!
WHAT IT, JERRY! IT'S A FIEND!
NOW IF HE ATTACKS SUNDAY OR THE WAVES WACS AND SPARS ALWAYS YANKEE DOODLE IS DOING IT
OH! IF ONLY I COULD FIND THE MEAT CLEAVER!
ACH!
UGH!
YEOOOW!
THERE NOW YOU ARE. THE PANGS OF [illegible] FOR A DO[illegible]SS
BUT THE NAZI COME ON LIKE AVENGING ANGEL BURSTING THROUGH THEIR STY!!
HEY! WHY IF GOT ARM NOW!
OOHH!
I'LL MAKEN YOUR HOME-CATS, YOU-OHHHH

GOOD! THROW THEM DOWN THE CELLAR HOLE! I HAVE ANOTHER FOR FLOYD'S INSTRUCTIONS
OWW! MY HEAD!
SHHH! MERRY, LISTEN!
HELLO BERLIN! SETTING HEAD QUARTERS THIS IS COL SUTTS IN BOMBER VALLEY! OUR TRUCK TORPEDO AND AT MAP CAPTURED THE DANGEROUS AVANTGAM EAGLE ESCAPING PLANE
VERY GOOD! NOW BERTZ YOU WILL SHOOT THE SKY HIGH AND TWO LEAVE THAT VALLEY BEFORE OUR BOMBERS PLANES COME OVER TO BLOW UP THAT VALLEY! BUT HURRY!
OH BOY!
GEN COMMANDER FIRST WE'LL EAT A GOOD DINNER NOT AFTER IT'S ABOUT SAFE ABOUT TO BEGIN TO SHOOT OUR AVANTGAM EAGLE IT A DANGEROUS PLANE
YOU MAY DRINK ME... OUR AVENGER WE'RE ABOUT THIS NEW BATTLE
AND NOW WHAT THAT AVANTGAM EAGLE IS THAT THAT GOING TO KILL US AND THEY MANAGER THAT WE ALREADY KNOWS THEY WERE IN THIS GLOOM VIOLENT AND MORNIN AND CHEERFUL
MAYBE WE'LL HAVE SOME THING TO SAY
AVANTGAM EAGLE CALLING AMERICA SQUADRON THEY TRAINED IN ALASKA AND ALASKA FOR HOME SOUND AT COAST AND SET UP BASES IN
THIS PLACE OUR
DOC HAS FOR BETTER SPRING TO BE SHOT!
HA HA! SUCH.
THE LAST HALF
OUR S.A.F. YOU G.I. ROO.
I KNOW THAT AMONG SQUADRON OFF HERE SOON!

OH, PHANTOM, I'M AFRAID!
KEEP YOUR CHIN UP, JERRY!
DO YOU HAVE A LAST REQUEST STUPID?
UH HUH COME CLOSER PAL, I'VE GOT SOMETHING FOR YOUR EAR ALONE!
YEEOOW!
CRUNCH!
DOT ISS THE LAST STRAW! READY!!! AIM!
AHHH—
FI— HIMMEL! DER PHOENIX SQUADRON!
SHOOT THEM! KILL THE DOGS!
HIT PLEASE!
HALP!
A TIDAL WAVE OF HUMAN HURT BURSTS ITS BANK-UP BOUNDS
ACH! HIMMEL IT IS THE LLAGERS
FOREVER!
REMEMBER ROTTERDAM

HOPPAY POPEYE!
AGH!
OH! I CAN'T LOOK!
WITHOUT ZEE HELP OF THE VILLAGERS WE WOULD NEVAHF HAVE BEEN IN TIME TO RESCUE YOU!
AWEEWA RIVER INCA SAND ARAKPEEK VALLEY!
ARE YOU FORGETTIN ABOUT THE NAZI BOMBING PLANES?
SOSH, HENRY, THAT'S RIGHT! LET'S GO, PHOENIX SQUADRON
YAAAH!
MEANWHILE THE NAZI-MADE BRUTES ON HAND TOWARDS AN EASY KILL!
WE WILL SOON BE OVER ARA SOMORA VALLEY!
YAH! DESTROY DER VILLAGE NOT DER PEOPLE, BUT DO NOT DESTROY DER CROPS OR HORSES WE NEED FOOD IN GERMANY!
HOT MINNEAPOLIS STEAK AND HORSES WILL MAKE...
HMMM... HOT IT'S SO NOISE?
GRRRRRR...
IT ISS DER PHANTOM EAGLE... AAGH!
DOUBLE HEADER, HENRY! CHALK UP TWO MORE!
WE'VE GOT TO SAVE THOSE FIGHTING VILLAGERS, PHANTOM EAGLE!

AT ONE NAZI BOMBER PULLS ITS WAY THROUGH AND STARTS ITS RUN OVER THE HELPLESS VILLAGE
RELEASE DER BLOCK BUSTER!!
YAH! I WANT THIS TO BE STRAIGHT AND PERFECT
LOVE AND KISSES FROM UNCLE SAMMY UNCLE JOEY AND UNCLE HOWARD!
AND THE LAST THING HE THINKS IS A RAIN FOR THE HUNS THEY WILL NEVER REACH ALIVE
YAAA!!
LATER...
NOW I'M GOING TO GET THE WHOLE STORY OF 'PEACEFUL' SOMMER VALLEY!
THE VILLAGE ELDER TELLS HIS STORY!
AND THAT IS OUR STORY PHANTOM EAGLE WE ARE FARMERS THE LAND YOU SEE HERE HAS BEEN MY FAMILY FOR 300 YEARS
HMM... THERE'S A MAGIC MACE HERE?
THE PEASANTS THAT ONCE LIVED HERE HANDED DOWN AN ANCIENT PEACE FORMULA FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION... SO THE NAZI 'MASTER-MACE' DESTROYED EVERY MAN WOMAN AND CHILD.
AH, MON AMI SOME DAY WE RETURN TO ZE CHAMPAGNE LEY AND SEE OUR DEAR ONES AGAIN
OUI M'SIEU PEARE
FAREWELL AND TELL PETER VAN CLEFS OF ... LE DE ZEL
BYE PHANTOM EAGLE WE WILL STAY HERE AND HELP'S THIS ... AMMUNITION AND CAN DO IT! ... HEN
WE SEND UNITED NATION TANK BOAT PLANES
THAT'S THE FIFTH TO ... WE BRUSHED YOUR TEETH MICKEY
LAD NEVER ATE PIG'S EAR RAW!!

That fellow has real power since he switched to Wheaties!

WHEN YOU [illegible] TO WHEATIES YOU GET IN STEP WITH SOME OF THE WORLD CHAMPION ATHLETES THAT FAMOUS "BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS" HAS BEEN A TRAINING TABLE FAVORITE WITH LEADING COACHES AND BIG-TIME SPORT STARS AND IT'S A MORNING DISH WITH YOU TOO

YOU GET CHAMPION WHOLE GRAIN NOURISHMENT IN THOSE BIG CRISP TOASTED WHEATIES FLAKES ALL THE WIDELY-KNOWN FOOD VALUES OF RICH WHOLE WHEAT AND THAT'S MORE YOU GET A ZIPPY "SECOND-HELPING" FLAVOR THAT SHIFTS YOUR APPETITE INTO HIGH GEAR AND HELPS YOU START THE DAY WITH PLENTY OF "UP AND AT EM" SPIRIT

IT'S FUN TO EAT CHAMPION STYLE START TOMORROW MORNING ... WITH A MAN SIZED BOWL OF MILK FRUIT AND WHEATIES, "BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS."

"BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS"

WITH MILK AND FRUIT

DEATH FROM UNDERGROUND

BY MICHAEL REMBA

The adventures of an American WAC overseas!

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS Penny Graves found to accept the covert glances bestowed upon her by the dark man in the opposite corner of the compartment. Set off by her neat uniform, her black hair and features and numerous eyes made an attractive [illegible]. But the dark man's interest was more than casual. He leaned to speak to his companion, an attractive blonde [illegible] gray suit.

"She's going to Dover, Lana."

"But I'm sick, Jorge," the girl replied petulantly.

"I have numerous to take pains," said the [illegible] find out, though, when she's going."

Leaning across the compartment, he [illegible] her arm, but she [illegible].

Penny [illegible] her reverie [illegible] dark [illegible] is going to report there."

Then [illegible] dark man's trace of a [illegible] tinging [illegible] the conductor. He withdrew to the [illegible] standing in the [illegible] aisle.

After [illegible] descended [illegible] Dover she [illegible] a [illegible] compartments very much [illegible] the [illegible] turned [illegible] when the [illegible].

"Pardon me, miss. The dark man [illegible] I've a sharp [illegible] here in a moment I'll give you a [illegible]."

"No, thanks," said Penny firmly. "There should be a car here to meet me."

The smile on the dark man's face disappeared as though wiped off. "You will come with me," he said, a gun appearing [illegible] magic in his hand. Penny stopped. There was no arguing with the ugly .32 revolver pointing at her middle. The car which had [illegible] the dark man at the station drew alongside.

"Get [illegible]," said the dark man, motioning with his gun. "Lana, a [illegible] and O." Jorge [illegible] appeared out of the fog.

"What's going on here?" asked the soldier.

"They're trying to kidnap me!" exclaimed Penny.

But her warning came too late. [illegible] about the soldier. At the same time the driver opened the rear door [illegible] and [illegible]. The gun [illegible] and the car roared off.

AN HOUR LATER, Penny [illegible] her hands [illegible] wearing the grey [illegible] she had [illegible] on the [illegible]. The blonde girl was wearing Penny's [illegible]. Penny [illegible] more out a prisoner as Jorge [illegible] the blonde, as a [illegible] in the room. It was [illegible] Lana was going to impersonate Penny. But why? There wasn't much danger of the impersonation [illegible] Penny had been assigned to a new post near Dover after a ten-day furlough in London.

"Here [illegible] the gun-[illegible] lowered [illegible] Penny caught [illegible] words [illegible] Dover." The rest was [illegible]. But [illegible] was [illegible] the [illegible] Lana—about to [illegible].

[illegible] had Penny strove desperately to [illegible] a way out [illegible]. To begin with she knew [illegible] the lives of American soldiers [illegible] depend on her escape. Besides, she was angry [illegible]. She wouldn't [illegible] form back.

[illegible] door of [illegible] room [illegible] which [illegible] was [illegible] opening and [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

care of my guard, we won't last," smiled Sergio. "Kiss the girl beloved."

Penny spoke up. "Could you loosen these cords? My arms and legs are numb."

Both her captors laughed. Then Sergio said, "Undo her wrists for ten minutes." He left.

The day crawled on, night darkened the windows of the room. Ape-man resisted all attempts to draw him into conversation. Once an hour he [illegible] Penny's wrists, taking care to stay out of her reach. [illegible] gun [illegible] ready. Penny was desperate. Everything—her life itself—hinged on her escape.

"My legs—couldn't you let me walk a bit until they're normal again?" she pleaded. Ape-man considered.

"It could do no harm. And you have not long to live." He laughed, came across the room and untied her ankles, leaving her hands still bound behind her.

The agony was excruciating but slowly the blood came back into her legs. Penny took a tentative step another then began slowly walking around the room, getting ever closer to Ape-man. He relaxed his chair back against the wall, his gun lying [illegible] in his huge hand. Penny walked by seeming [illegible] window. Suddenly, like a tigress [illegible], she whirled. Bright sun a [illegible] blinded the cheering man [illegible] wall and [illegible]. The chair went over backward, the back of Ape-man's head hitting the floor with a solid thwack, dazing him. [illegible] from his hand. Stooping awkwardly, her hands [illegible] Penny picked up the gun.

A few [illegible] the natives of Dover were amazed to see a [illegible] black-haired girl running down the street, a [illegible] being in her hands, which were [illegible] behind her back. She stopped as she saw a constable. A brief conversation—[illegible] accompanied by the officer, she retraced her steps.

Ape-man was obdurate. He was not, as Penny had guessed, clever. But he refused to talk. In desperation, Penny asked the police for a car to take her to her post.

The night was black as pitch as the car which carried Penny rushed toward the AAF station near Dover to which the lead had been assigned. Turning to the quiet English detective who was accompanying her, Penny asked, "What is the words 'Calais, Dover mean to you?" He thought a while.

"Not very much. I'm afraid. It might be a signal, perhaps a code."

"No," said Penny, "it must be something more than that or they wouldn't have placed as much emphasis on it. Why do you think they wanted to get that girl on [illegible] particular post?"

"It's too much for me," replied her companion.

Penny's eyes lit up in the dark, her mouth opened wide. "I have an idea," she said. "But it seems incredible." She spoke rapidly for a few minutes, the detective listening in amazement.

"It's possible," he said slowly. "But" shook his head to make sure." The car swept on through the night.

AN HOUR LATER a sentry was walking his post near what looked like a huge excavation near the English Channel. Hearing a noise he lowered his [illegible] and challenged. "Halt! Who's there?" A slim figure in khaki emerged from the shadows. It was Lana, the superintendent of Penny Graves.

"You've no business here, Orderly," said the sentry. "You'd better [illegible] I believe you got shot or the O [illegible] catches you."

"Were you going to shoot me?" smiled Lana, drawing closer [illegible] perhaps two can play at the same game." [illegible] as she [illegible] drew [illegible] pistol from under her jacket [illegible] at the astonished sentry. But before she could fire a streak of fury—Penny Graves—fastened on her gun arm. The pistol went off harmlessly once, then Lana was disarmed.

A moment later a silhouette showed against the sky, the outline of a German helmet. Then another [illegible] and they came [illegible] the depths of the [illegible] from the excavation. Suddenly off to one side, a machine gun opened up. Tracers cut through the night as the group of Germans [illegible] They fell. Another machine gun opened [illegible] from the opposite side of the excavation. The Nazis [illegible] before the scathing American crossfire. The [illegible] darted back underground as the Yanks charged.

Meanwhile, Lana, her spirit broken, was revealing the whereabouts of her companions. White Russians, they had undertaken the task of secret agents for the Nazis. Berger was waiting for her in a car scarcely a mile off. A squad of guns faced O[illegible] as whooped away in a command car to finish the job Penny Graves had begun.

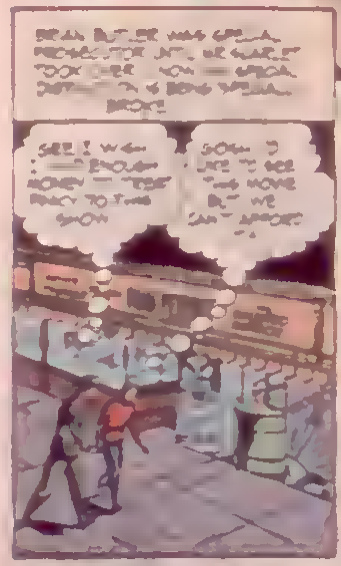
Later a tired WAC once again [illegible] her [illegible] Dover" were the key words," said Penny to the [illegible] in command of the post. "I made [illegible] sense until I recalled reading that a British [illegible] began a [illegible] from Dover to Calais about [illegible] before the war [illegible]

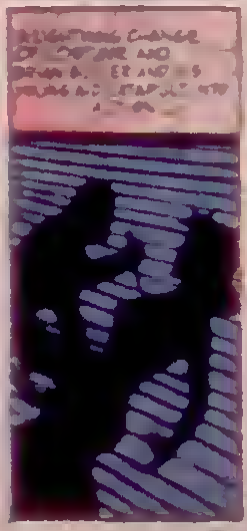
"And if a tunnel could go from Dover to Calais, you left there was no reason why one [illegible] be [illegible] from Calais to the French coast to Dover [illegible] the Nazis," said the Colonel.

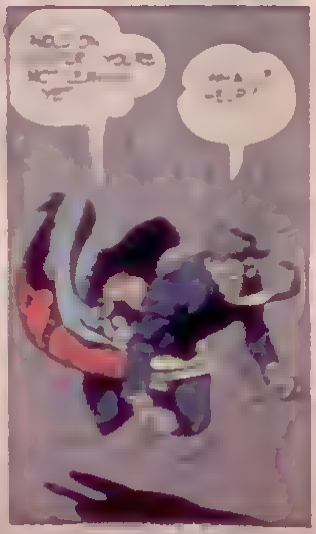
"[illegible]" said Penny wearily. "An [illegible] they could use [illegible] British [illegible] in a [illegible] cut [illegible] [illegible] be a [illegible] [illegible] Private [illegible] service [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that near the [illegible] [illegible]."

"[illegible] Heaven," said Penny. "Now I'll [illegible] to sleep for [illegible]

MR. SCARLET and PINKY MEET the HAUNTED HORROR







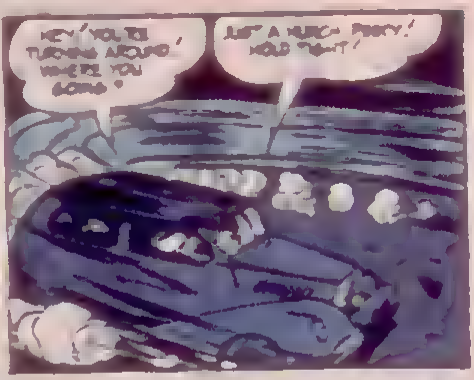
THE SAME'S NOT OK - IT'S "MAN, PERFECT"
WHO'D YOU THINK I WAS? SHIRLEY TEMPLE?
MEANWHILE THE HORROR CRIME CRUSADER RAGES AGAINST THE TOREVENT DISASTER
DO YOU THOUGHT YOUD GET AWAY WITH IT? NOT SO EASY!
NO! NO! HOW ANYBODY HELP ME!
WHY YOU MISERABLE RAT! I'LL WASH YOU!
HEY! WHO ARE YOU?
YOU... WHO OUT SOON ENOUGH IF YOU'RE STILL CONSCIOUS
OH, DEAR...
NO! YOU DON'T
I HATE TO DO THIS BUT I CAN'T STAND VIOLENCE
GWA-HA-HA!
YOU? WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? I WAS TRYING TO PROTECT YOU
THAT'S AWFULLY SWEET OF YOU BUT I DON'T NEED PROTECTION
THIS IS AN OUTRAGE! LET ME GO
AS SOON AS I WASH WHAT'S "THAT"?

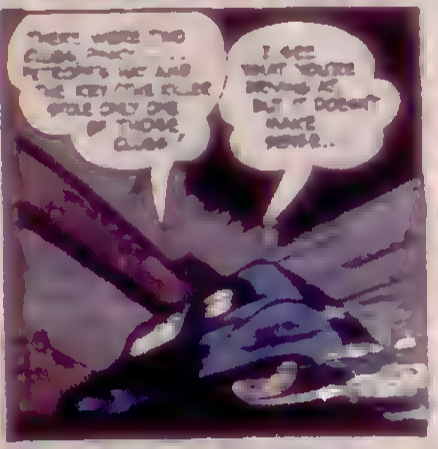
PHILIPS / WILL YOU TELL THESE PEOPLE WHAT THIS IS ABOUT!
WHY IT'S JUST A PARTY THAT MEYER WINGOLD THE MOVIE PRODUCER IS GIVING IN HONOR OF THE PICTURE'S NEW PICTURE...
A PARTY? YOU MEAN THIS IS A... A JOKE? WHO ARE YOU?
IS WINGOLD HERE? WHAT'S GOING ON? WHY IS EVERYBODY SO QUIET?
MR WINGOLD'S SECRETARY... AH, HERE HE COMES NOW!
LOOK HERE WINGOLD I'VE THROUGH MY HORROR PICTURES IS GOTTEN SO BAD I CAN'T EVEN LEAVE A PARTY WITHOUT BEING STOPPED!
BUT WAIT MY FRIEND I'LL TELL YOU WHAT YOU CAN DO! YOU HAVE A CONTRACT WITH ME!
COME WITH ME WE CAN TALK THIS OVER...
CONTRACT OR NO CONTRACT I'LL SEE YOU THROUGH!
WE'LL PARTY! SURE IT'S A JOKE'S ON US!
SOME MINUTES LATER OUR FRIENDS HAVE THEIR LAUGH
BOY! THAT'S THE FUNNIEST PARTY I'VE EVER BEEN AT!
AND THEY'RE GOING TO THINK THE JOKE TOO HA HA, LOOK!
HELP! AA-AGH!

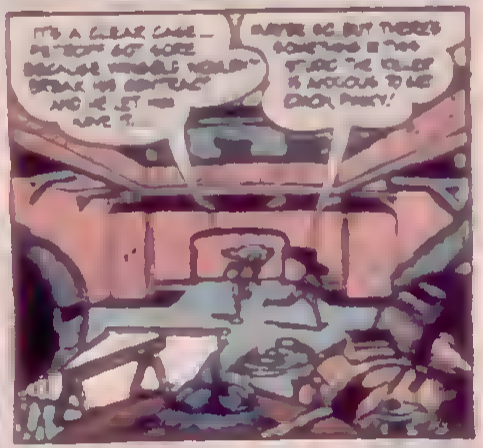
HE'S OUT COLD LET'S GET HIM IN THE HOUSE!
DON'T BOTHER, PINKY
IT'S TOO LATE HE'S DEAD!
SHRIEK SCOTT! STABBED IN THE BACK!
HE'S GOT SOMETHING IN HIS HAND LOOKS LIKE A KEY
SO ALL THE HORROR
IT'S DEMONIC
LOOK SCARLET
HAT
GET'S PETRIFIED. NAMES SMOKE. LET'S GRAB HIM!
YEAH I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHO'S THIS?
HEY! OUT COLD THE PARTY'S OVER
YOU'RE WRONG THIS PARTY'S JUST BEGINNING!
NEVER THIS WILL
OWWW GAG
LOOKOUT PINKY! COVER YOUR FACE

POLICE

HE'S OUT OF SIGHT BUT I KNOW WHERE HE WAS JUST FOLLOW THIS ROAD!
THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT THIS CASE THAT BOTHERS ME, PARTY...

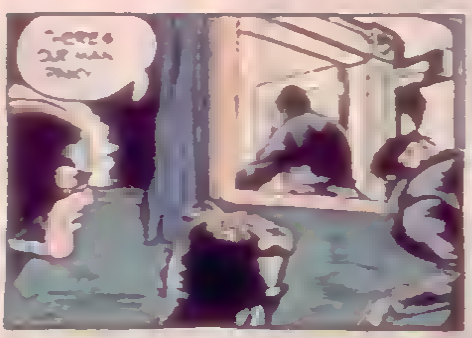

HEY! YOU'RE TURNING AROUND! WHERE YOU GOING?
JUST A MINUTE, PARTY! HOLD IT!

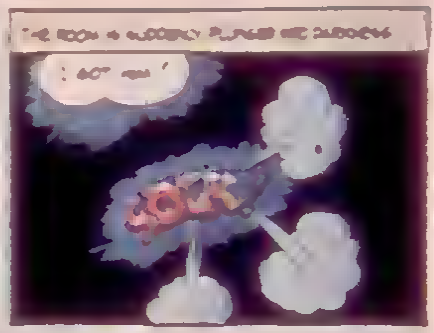

THERE WERE TWO CLUES, PARTY... PETERSON'S HAT AND THE KEY. THE KILLER STOLE ONLY ONE OF THOSE CLUES!
I SEE WHAT YOU'RE DRIVING AT, BUT IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE...

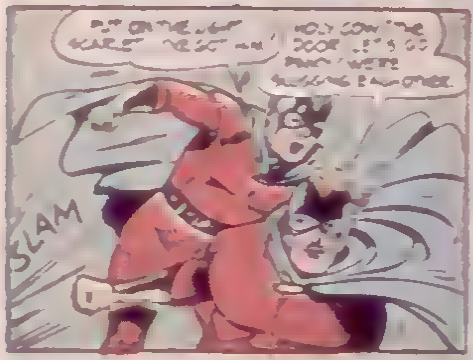

IT'S A CLEAR CASE — PETERSON GOT SORE BECAUSE HIS GIRLFRIEND BROKE HIS APPOINTMENT AND HE LET HER HAVE IT.
MAYBE SO, BUT THERE'S SOMETHING IN THIS STORY THE KILLER IS MOCKING TO ME, CHICK, PARTY!

THERE'S OUR CLUE, PARTY! THAT PIECE WAS ALL ROLLED UP!
HEADING PROJECTION ROOM 3. GOOD— YOU'RE RIGHT SCAR...

LOOK, A CLUE, PARTY! A MOVIE
BECAUSE I'M THE DOOR TO DOES PROJECT— HE KEEPS THIS SET AHEAD, PARTY


THERE'S OUR MAN PERCY


THE ROOM IS SUDDENLY FILLED WITH SMOKE
: HOT MAN !
BOOM

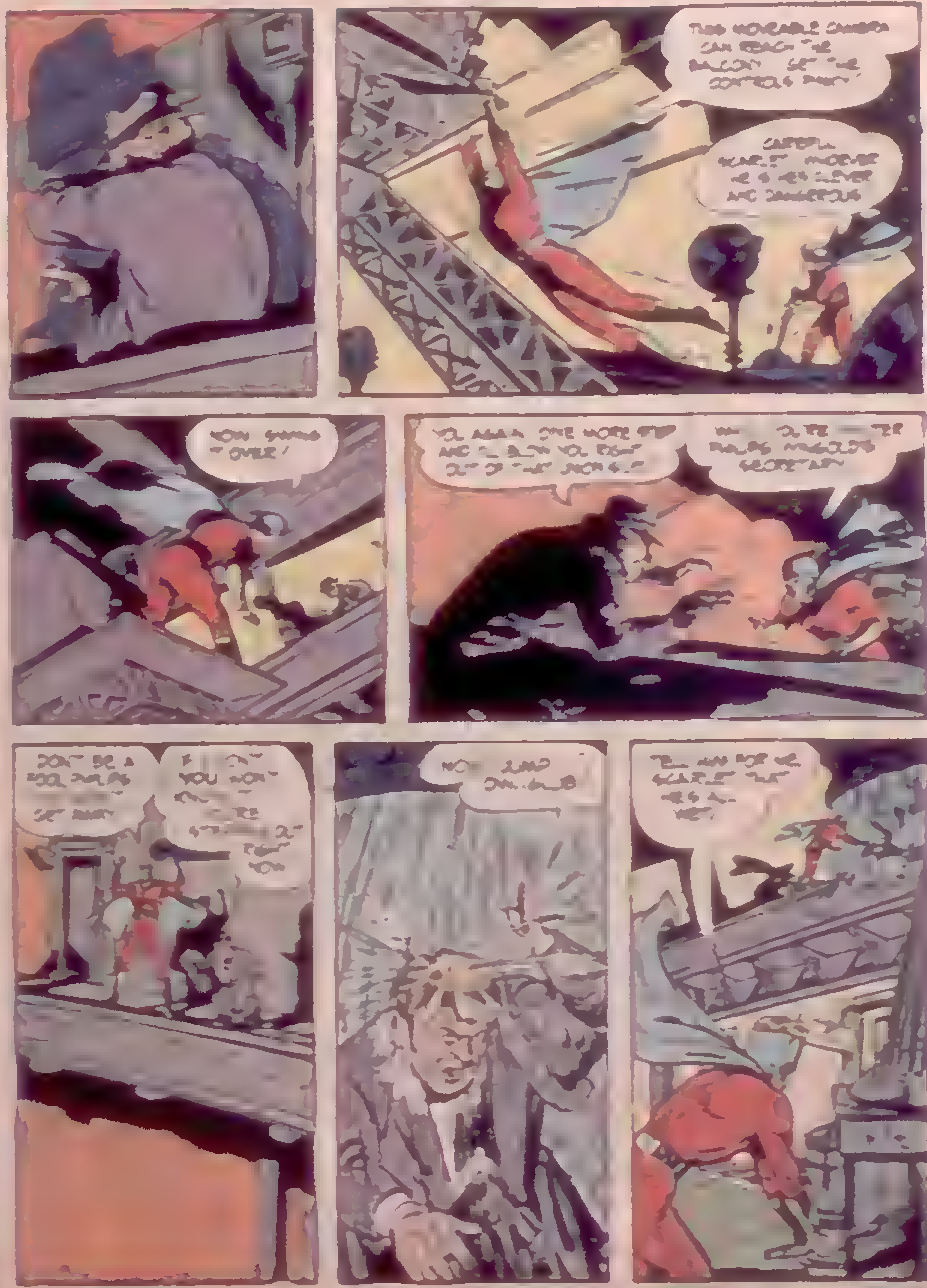

PUT ON THE LIGHT QUICK!! HE GOT AWAY!
HOLY COW! THE DOOR IS SO THICK I WERE KNOCKING A MAN OVER.
SLAM

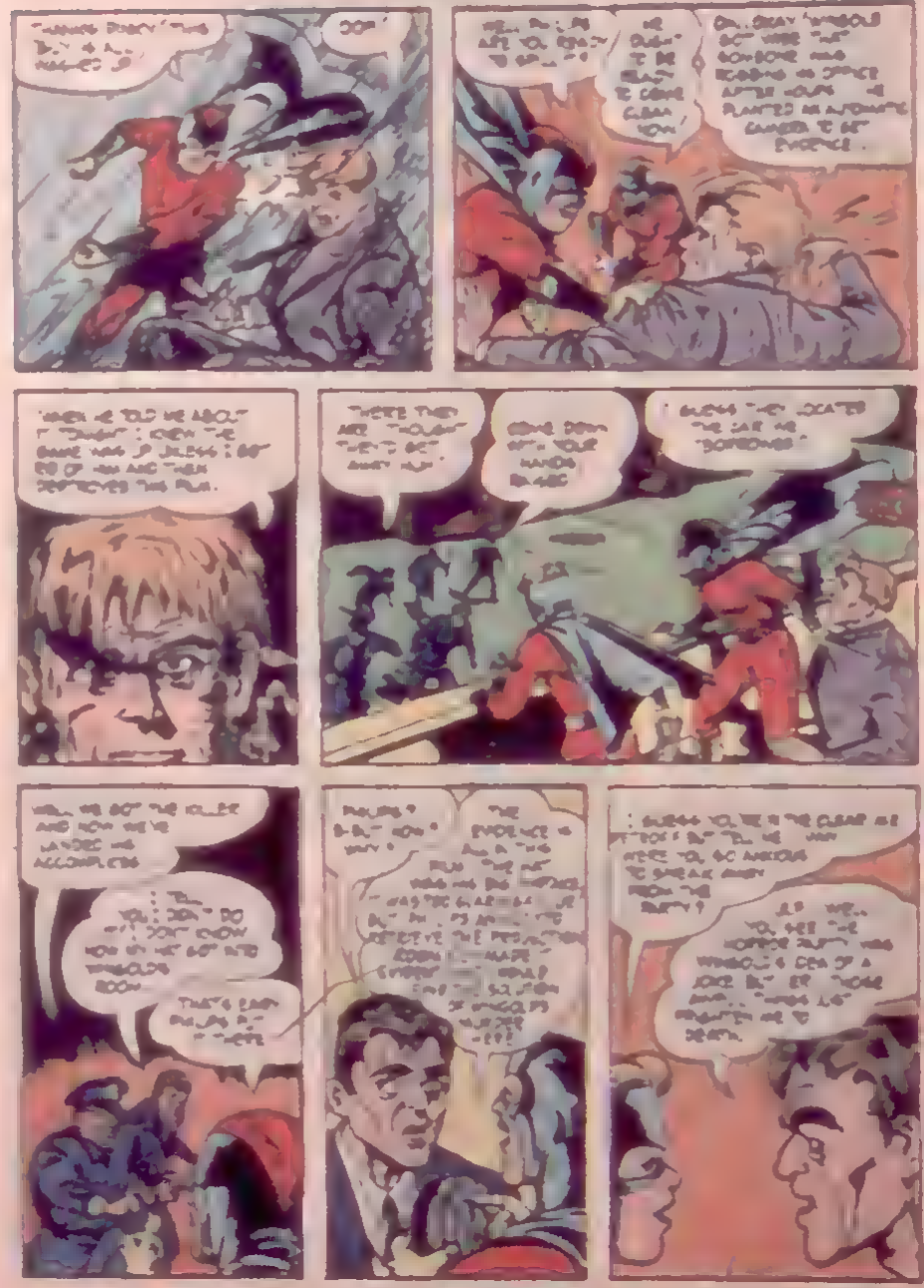
SLAM

ACCORDING TO THAT PLAN HE'LL BE HEADING FOR ONE OF THE BALCONY DOORS

LOCK

THERE'S


NOW SWING OVER!
YOU AMAZA ONE MORE STEP AND I'LL BLOW YOU FROM OUT OF THE SKY!
DON'T BE A FOOL, PHILIPS
NOW JUMP, DAREDEVIL!



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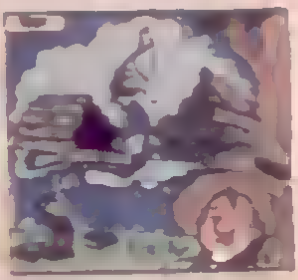
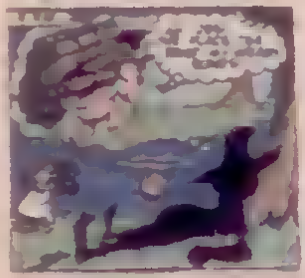
BAKE





HELPFUL
HUGO

COMMANDO YANK
--CRACKS THE JAP MAGINOT LINE --
COMMANDO YANK ENDS THE JAP MAGINOT LINE

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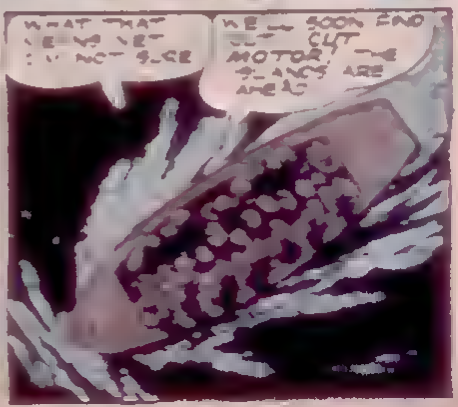
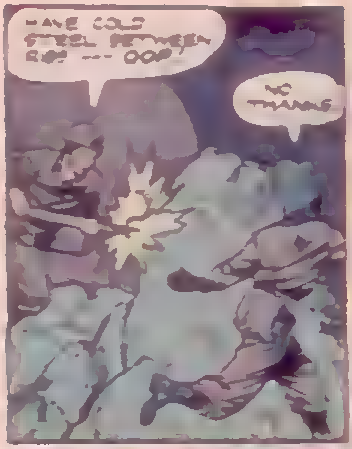
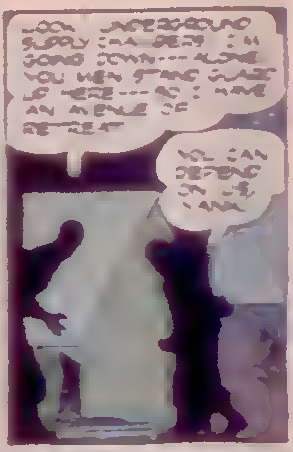


BUT SUDDENLY THE HUNDREDS CRUMPLE ON A NUMBER OF MACHINE GUNS BURST OUT FROM THE BUSHES
HONORABLE FOOLS! WE SAW THEM COMING! LET THEM LAND SO WE COULD MOW THEM DOWN!
AHHH
AHHH.
COMMANDO MARK HAS DESTROYED A LIGHT! WILL GIVE THEM A BETTER WELCOME!
THE 3 RUN BUT WORTH A TEN
A JAP BLOC
I DON'T KNOW... I CAN'T SEE A JAP BOMB COMING
DOCTOR! I'M HERE
AAIII
AND THEN THERE WERE NONE

COME ON NOW TO SCOUT HEADQUARTERS
NO SOONER HAD ALARM WENT OUT THAT SOME OF THE GUARDS WERE MISSING THAN THE ENTIRE ISLAND WAS PEOPLE RUNNING HITHER AND THITHER
WOW NO WONDER OUR FLEET HAS LEFT US ALONE
LOOK! A REGULAR MADHOUSE
WHAT HAVE THEY DONE WITH THE GUARDS
MALT!


HAVE COLD STEEL BETWEEN RIB! --- OOF!
NO THANKS

PHEW-A-BOO.
BOOOC.


LOOK UNDERGROUND SUPPLY TUNNELS! I'M GOING DOWN--- ALONE YOU MEN STAND GUARD UP HERE--- AND HAVE AN AVENUE OF RETREAT
NO, I CAN DEFEND ON MY OWN

COMMANDO DESCENDS INTO THE ANTI-TROOPS STRONGHOLD
JUST LIKE THE ONE- THE FRENCH MAGINOT LINE

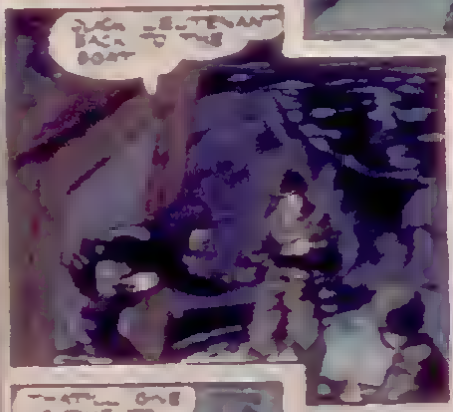
THIS PROVES THE JAPS HAVE FORTIFIED THIS WHOLE CHAIN OF ISLANDS INTO AN IMPREGNABLE MAGINOT LINE THOSE BIG GUNS ABOVE COULD STAND OFF OUR FLEET FOR YEARS

TO SCALE THIS CLIFF--- BUT HOW? IT WOULD TAKE A WHOLE CORPS OF DEMOLITION ENGINEERS A MONTH TO DO THE JOB

BUT COMMANDO HANK HAS LITTLE TIME TO PLAN FOR SUCH...

OWW
HOME RUN

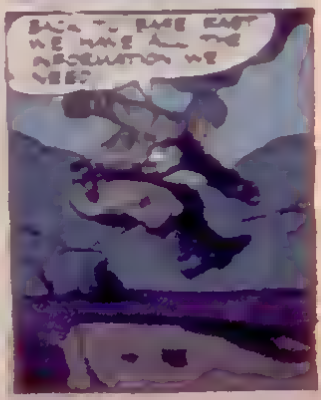
WE'RE FORCED TO RETREAT AGAINST OVERWHELMING ODDS
THE ODDS OF TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING
WE FOR OPEN AIR

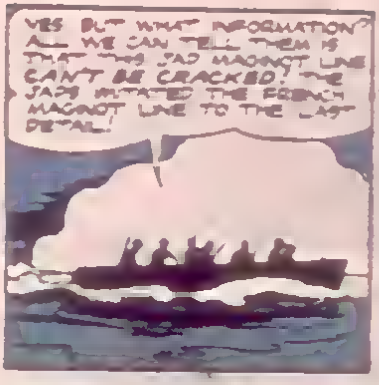

BACK TO THE BOAT

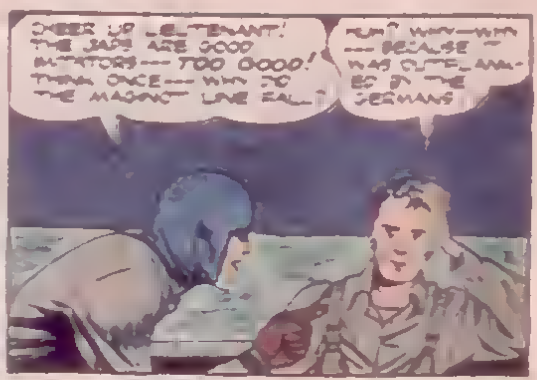
AS SOON AS I WANT ONE MORE PAD OVER TO CARESS
OOOH

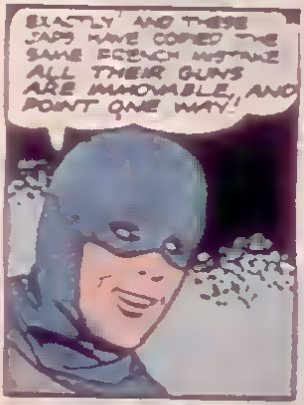
I'LL TAKE ONE OF THESE TO GET AWAY FROM THE BEACH

LAST ONE I'M HERE

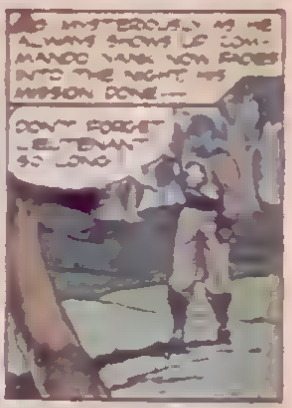

BACK TO BASE CAMP WE HAVE ALL THE INFORMATION WE NEED


YES BUT WHAT INFORMATION? ALL WE CAN TELL THEM IS THAT THIS JAP MAGINOT LINE CAN'T BE CRACKED! THE JAPS IMITATED THE FRENCH MAGINOT LINE TO THE LAST DETAIL!

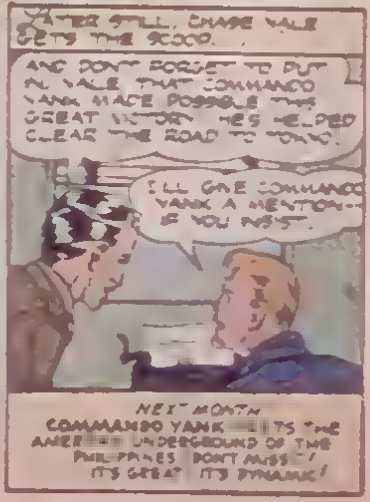

CHEER UP LIEUTENANT! THE JAPS ARE GOOD IMITATORS--- TOO GOOOD! THINK ONCE--- WHY DO THE MAGINOT LINE FAIL?
HUH? WHY---WHY --- BECAUSE WAS OUTFLANKED BY THE GERMANS


EXACTLY! AND THESE JAPS HAVE COPIED THE SAME ECECH MISTAKE ALL THEIR GUNS ARE IMMOVABLE, AND POINT ONE WAY!

THEN--- THEN---?
SURE ALL OUR FORCES HAVE TO DO IS ATTACK FROM THE REAR! TELL THAT TO THE GENERAL LIEUTENANT!


AND MYSTERIOUSLY AS HE ALWAYS SHOWS UP COMMANDO YANK VON FADES INTO THE NIGHT. HIS MISSION DONE---
DON'T FORGET LIEUTENANT SO LONG

WEEK LATER WHEN THE INFORMATION IS ACTED ON---
THOSE GUNS ARE POINTING EXACTLY WHERE WE AIN'T. THAT'S THE END OF THIS JAP MAGINOT LINE.


LATER STILL, CHASE HALE GETS THE SCOOP.
AND DON'T FORGET TO PUT IN HALE, THAT COMMANDO YANK MADE POSSIBLE THIS GREAT VICTORY. HE'S HELPED CLEAR THE ROAD TO TOKYO.
I'LL GIVE COMMANDO YANK A MENTION--- IF YOU INSIST.
NEXT MONTH
COMMANDO YANK [illegible] TS THE AMER [illegible] UNDERGROUND OF THE PHILIPPINES DON'T MISS IT! IT'S GREAT IT'S DYNAMIC!

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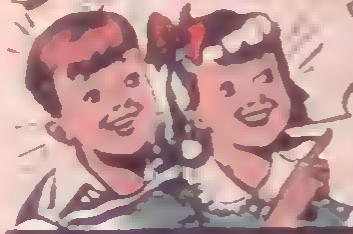

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AND MANY OTHERS

WAS LAYERS MAGIC to with stamps where we [illegible] our supply are with [illegible] you want we reserve the right to substitute one for 1 like Savings Stamps for [illegible] 50 gum wax bags substituted [illegible]

Rapid Fire
MACHINE GUN

[illegible] is a [illegible] Boy Authentic [illegible] Automatic Machine Gun! A real beauty! Has [illegible] barrel shoots [illegible] to aim [illegible] Throwing [illegible] 100 bags

Rocket Type
CATAPLANE

Soar [illegible] into [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

HOW "JACK THE WEAKLING" SLAUGHTERED THE "DANCE-FLOOR HOG"!
I Can Make YOU a New Man, Too — in Only 15 Minutes a Day!
CHARLES ATLAS, Dept.

ADVENTURES OF "P.G." AND PUNCHIE

MYSTERIOUS BLONDE
HELLO GOOD-LOOKING. YOU DANCE WITH ME, YESS?
YES SIR HELP I MEAN - YES, MA'AM
SURE IS A BIG POCKET. HOW MANY SOLDIERS BOOK THAT GAL IS IN YOUR CAMP LEEDLE MAN?
WELL, IT'S A MIGHTY BIG CAMP MA AM.
HOW ABOUT A NICE FROSTY BOTTLE OF ROYAL CROWN COLA?
...ONE SOME THEN WE TALK SOME MORE ABOUT YOUR TRAINING AT CAMP YESS?
WELL I'LL BE... AN AUTOMATIC - AND A NOTEBOOK FULL OF TROOP INFORMATION. SPIES, HER SPECIALTY MAKING A GETAWAY
AOH MAMA! I MUST ESCAPE
WORK, BOYS - WE'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR A SUSPICIOUS DAME WITH A FORGED PASS FOR A LONG TIME
SCHNOZZLEBANG! TAKE IT EASY SISTER I DON'T LOOK LIKE ME, BUT I MIGHT SOON YOU
WHEN I CHANCED TO DANCES I'M NOT SO SMART
BUT YOU'RE SMART TO CHOOSE ICE COLD ROYAL CROWN COLA
YES SIR IT'S THE BEST TASTING COLA OF THEM ALL
DONALD O'CONNOR SAYS:
MY TASTE-TEST FAVORITE!
ROYAL CROWN COLA
Real in Taste-Test!